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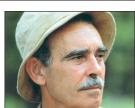
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#### **New film**

Documentary on R.D.
Lawrence's work with wolves serves to further his cause



# Promoting kindness

Captain Kindness, left, also known as Traci Hubbert, principal of Archie Stouffer Elementary School and Kindness Kid, better known as Emma Cox, were on the search for kindness on Nov. 18 at the school during their Kindness Day assembly. More on page 3.

**Angelica Blenich** Staff



## **A tradition**

Hunting season is an annual ritual made of more than it seems

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# Highland Yard to be revived

**Chad Ingram** Staff reporter

The tradition of the Highland Yard will continue in Minden.

Places for People and the Rotary Club of Minden have announced they will be taking over operation of the 40-year-old road race.

Before this year's run, which included two-kilometre, five-kilometre and 10-kilometre legs, on July 29, Amici Camping Charity, which had been organizing the event since 1986, announced it

would be doing so no longer.

At the time, executive director Kate Horton told the *Times* the Yard was getting difficult to organize since Amici is a grassroots charity run out of Toronto.

Horton had hoped that organization would step in to take over.

Jack Russel of Places for People said the nonprofit affordable housing corporation began talks with Rotary back in the summer.

"We're very happy to do this," said Russel, who will be co-chairing the event along with Bob Taylor of the Rotary Club, adding the event has a treasured history and generates a lot of community spirit.

Up to 360 people, many return runners who cottage in the area, take part in the run each

Russel said everything has gone smoothly with the transfer of the event from Amici to the local clubs.

While the race has traditionally taken place on a Friday afternoon or evening, in 2012, it's scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 5.

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## Still time to bid for banners

The auction of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners will conclude Sunday, Nov. 27, 3 p.m. at the Minden Legion.

Until then, bids are being accepted at the Organic Times, 134 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, during regular business hours.

A bid book featuring photos of all the banners and the latest price is available to review and enter bids. Bidding at the Legion starts at noon and will conclude at 3 p.m. sharp.

Proceeds from the sale of the banner will go toward the operation of next season's Festival of Banners.

Entries are now being accepted for anyone interested in painting a banner next

The theme next year is My Highlands Utopia. Entry forms and all the details are available at the Organic Times and will be at the Minden Legion during the final day

# **Board invests in sound systems**

**Riley Maracle** Co-op student

One of the major problems for elementary school students is being unable to hear their teachers during lessons.

To address this issue, the Trillium Lakelands District School Board is installing a new, advanced sound system in all schools.

A system called Sound Field Systems uses a small infrared pendant microphone worn around the teacher's neck to amplify sound through speakers which are put in the walls or ceilings. A handheld microphone will also be available for students to use when asking questions so other students can hear what their classmates are saying.

"60 to 70 per cent of a child's time in a classroom is spent listening," said Larry Hope director of education at TLDSB in a press release.

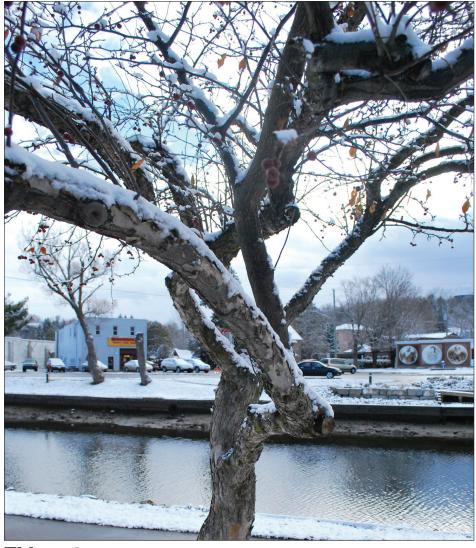
We don't want our students to miss anything - sound amplification in our classrooms will make a difference for all our students."

Not only will this help students hear their teachers and classmates clearly it will also help teachers reduce vocal strain because they will not have to raise their voice so students can hear them.

Sound Field Systems will be installed into 14 different TLDSB elementary schools between now and April 2012, all 41 elementary schools will have Sound Field Systems in every classroom by the



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#### Things to come

Snow greeted residents of Minden when they awoke on Nov. 17. Although it has since melted, that first chilly skiff got everyone thinking of the holidays and other less cheery pursuits. Chad Ingram Times staff

# Race may change slightly



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Races are typically held in the morning, Russel said, noting an early time provides a more hospitable running temperature and likely less traffic.

"There are some changes being contemplated," Taylor told the paper in an email.

"We have several experienced runners on the team who have had some great ideas as to how we can improve the whole experience. We are still working on the route for the race to make the course more interesting."

The event was started by Onondaga Camp in 1971 and for a time was known as the Heineken Yard, when it enjoyed the sponsorship of the famous beer company.

# Kids learn kindness goes a long way

#### **Angelica Blenich**

Staff reporter

Captain Kindness and Kindness Kid were on the search for random acts of kindness throughout the halls and inside the classrooms of Archie Stouffer Elementary School

Also known as school principal Traci Hubbert and Grade 8 student Emma Cox, the kindness duo kicked off Kindness Day with a special assembly.

Dressed in disguises, Hubbert and Cox were two sleuths on a mission to spot moments of kindness being exhibited by those at the school.

There were many examples of kindness already spotted throughout the school, including finding and returning a lost item or holding open a door for someone, said Hub-

The principal emphasized there were many good reasons to be kind, including it being easy, free, safe and healthy, making you feel calmer and less anxious, showing you care and it feeling great.

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless," said Hubbert, reciting a quote from Mother Teresa.

The assembly included a performance from the school's kindness choir, which included students of all ages.

Grade 8 student Owen Mackeigan began the assembly be reading a quote from an unknown author.

"Kindness is like a boomerang, it always returns," read

Both Cox and Hubbert explained to the student body that there are many ways to show you care, such as giving a friend a hug, sharing an umbrella, greeting a next door neighbour, complimenting your mom or letting someone

else go first in line.

The students and staff along with Hubbert recited the school's official pledge of kindness, which would later be circulated around the school giving students a chance to sign their name to the banner.

Once it had everyone's name on it the pledge would be on display in the school's front hallway.

Many students and staff members were dressed in pink to show their support for anti-bullying week.

"I would like to thank everyone who wore pink today, that's a random act of kindness," said Hubbert.

The principal encouraged students to think about their words and actions, not just that day but everyday.

She along with Cox would be visiting each classroom following the assembly to hear about the kind acts.

"It's nice to see all the kind things you've been doing. I hope you have a super kind day today," she said.



Top, Archie Stouffer Elementary School principal Traci Hubbert holds up the school's official pledge of kindness banner on Nov. 18 during an assembly to mark Kindness Day. The event included tips on how to be kind and a banner to be signed by all the students. Many students and staff chose to wear pink on Nov. 18 to show their support of anti-bullying week.

Right, Kindergarten students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School sign their names to the school's official pledge of kindness banner as Kindness Kid Emma Cox looks on.





**Angelica Blenich Staff** 

Kindergarten students sign their names to the Archie Stouffer Elementary School pledge of kindness on Nov. 18.

# Film highlights Lawrence's wolf work

Jenn Watt Editor

Ron Lawrence used to say, when your life is touched by wolves, it's changed forever.

The journalist/naturalist/author spent decades of his life studying, protecting and writing about the creatures he said were often misunderstood by society.

It is one of the reasons filmmaker Greg DeLiso decided to focus on that portion of Lawrence's life in his new film, Canada's Best Kept Secret: The Natural World of R.D. Law-

"The myth of the wolf [as a vicious killer] was pervasive in culture. Ron was one of the key people in dispelling that myth and letting people know that's not true. ...that became the focus of the documentary," DeLiso says.

The documentary covers much of Lawrence's life, from his time in the Spanish Civil War and Second World War to his career as a journalist, but ultimately settles on the work he did with wolves prior to his death in 2003 for most of the 70-minute production.

Lawrence's story is one not widely enough known, DeLiso believes, and hopes this project will spread the prolific writer's message of conservation and understanding to a larger audience.

He wrote 30 books and rescued 2,000 animals, "yet within the environmentalist movement ... he's not really that recognized. He's kind of anonymous despite the fact that he did so much," DeLiso says.

He started creating the documentary in 2005 at age 18 as part of a school project at the New York Film Academy.

This idea had been percolating with my grandma and with me," he explains.

DeLiso's grandparents, Gerry and Tom Easton, became friends with Ron and Sharon Lawrence back in the 1990s, sharing a mutual interest in wildlife – specifically wolves.

When the Eastons would visit the Lawrences in Haliburton County, they would bring their grandson, Greg, with

'They took me up to meet Ron and Sharon when I was about seven years old," he recalls.

"I remember him being warm and knowledgeable. He was tall and he was not intimidating ... he was a force. He was the centre of attention. As a kid you can feel that. I do take away that feeling from it."

Although DeLiso started work on the film in 2006, visiting the Minden and Haliburton areas twice to conduct interviews, it wasn't until recently that he had the time to pull the documentary together.

"Having to work and pay rent and do the freelance thing I couldn't afford to do it. It wasn't until early last year that I was finally able to pick the project back up," he says.

Along with original television footage of Lawrence and interviews with subjects who knew Lawrence, DeLiso also relied heavily on Sharon.

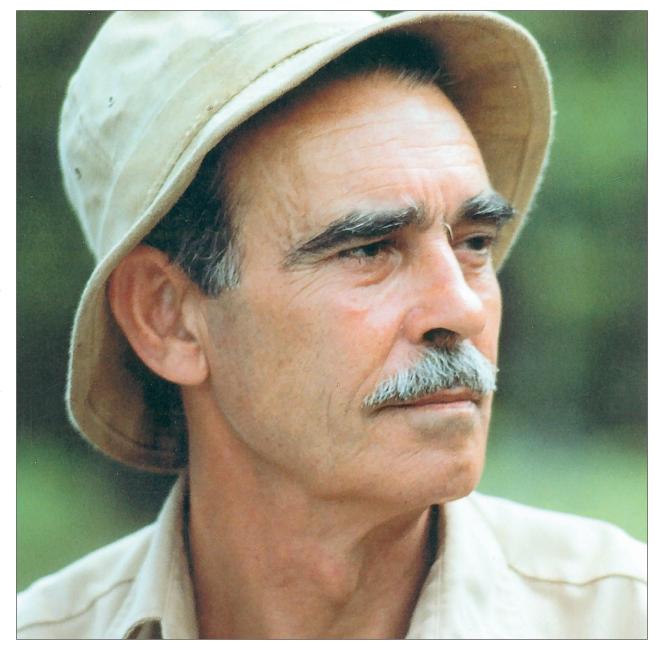
"She did a lot to preserve his memory and his work and keep his message alive. There was a lot of trust that went into that. She really trusted me to make the movie I wanted to make ... I can only hope that I lived up to that," he says.

For her part, Sharon says she was given multiple opportunities for input along the way and was happy with the documentary's result.

"Of course I was really pleased and very involved from the beginning," says Sharon, who was married to Ron for

"When you look at your life in the past and you relive those moments and the animals and everything it's very emotional. I found that other people told me that they found it emotional, too."

Not only did the film focus on the Lawrences' work with wolves, it also openly faced the disease that ended up kill-



The contrast of Ron when he was strong and vibrant and . at the end when he had Alzheimer's, for me, to see that struggle, it still hits me," she says.

Since Ron's death, Sharon has worked diligently on preserving his memory and his work, pushing for what is now the R.D. Lawrence Place in Minden, republishing his outof-print books and speaking for the wolves.

At the film's premiere at the Haliburton International Film Festival Nov. 3, she was thrilled to see that Ron's work continues to inspire.

"It was also nice for me to see in the audience a lot of people who have been touched by Ron over the years, some older people, but also younger people who are now making the changes themselves. Greg's a prime example,"

Despite the positive reception, Sharon agrees with DeLiso's observation that R.D. Lawrence is not as known internationally as his achievements warrant.

"I still hear from people all over the world. There are still people who are discovering Ron's books for the first time. I think it'll happen. Maybe the film will help it even more

While Canada's Best Kept Secret is not yet on DVD, Sharon already has on her list requests from Europe, Japan, R.D. Lawrence's work with wolves is chronicled in a new film called Canada's Best Kept Secret, which premiered Nov. 3 at the Haliburton International Film Festival. Right, filmmaker Greg DeLiso. /Photos submitted



New Zealand and Australia to purchase copies.

An insert for the DVD is being created by artist David

DeLiso expects a few more screenings of the film to be done in the county and Sharon Lawrence hopes to coordinate a screening for the 50th anniversary of the Haliburton Forest, which houses the wolf centre Ron helped create.

For details on the film visit www.crywild.com or www. mindenculturalcentre.com/rd.php.

# Minden boy gets surgery thanks to Shriners

**Chad Ingram** 

Staff reporter

A Minden boy will be travelling to Boston at the end of the month to have reconstructive surgery thanks to the

Braden Kirkpatrick, 9, has been unable to grow hair on a portion of his head due to a scalding accident he suffered early in his life.

His mother, Shannon, was giving him a bath in the Tweed home where the family was living.

Braden was one and older brother Christopher, then two years old, was in the bathroom as well.

"I was reaching around to get the soap off the sink," Shannon said, explaining there was a small partition between the bathtub and the sink.

During those few seconds, Christopher accidentally hit the tap for the hot water.

"When they started screaming, I was like, oh my God," Shannon said. "By the time I got around Christopher to Braden, the damage was done."

Realizing her son was scalded, she took him to the hos-

"It looked quite messy," she said of his wound, adding she'd had to wait almost two hours at the hospital before Braden was seen by a doctor.

It turns out the house the family was living in - they'd only just moved in - had a hot water tank that was improperly wired.

"I hadn't really experienced what the hot water was like," Shannon said. "It was burning twice as hot as it should be."

After the accident her husband Edward had used a piece of chicken to check the temperature of the water and Shannon said the meat began to blister quickly.

The burns on Braden's hands healed, but the accident has left him with a hand-sized area of scar tissue on his head where he is unable to grow hair.

Moving back to Shannon's hometown of Minden in 2003, the family subsequently got in touch with the Algonquin Shrine Club, which encapsulates the county as well as surrounding areas such as Bancroft and Kinmount.

Last year, the family began consultations with the Shriner's children's hospital in Boston and in August, Braden and his mom headed south where Braden was outfitted with a tissue expander.

Essentially, a balloon containing a saline solution is

implanted under the skin. It releases liquid allowing new cells to form and for the overlying skin to stretch.

The scar tissue will be removed and the new skin, capable of growing hair, will be stretched across the affected area of Braden's head.

"If it's going well, then he doesn't have to go through any more," Shannon said, explaining doctors will judge the success of the procedure so far when they get to Boston. "They're talking about maybe one more balloon."

While Shannon said Braden's scar has not caused many problems at school since the children there have grown up with him, "in a few years, he'll be going to high school with different kids," she said.

The Shriners are covering the cost of the procedure, plus travel and lodging expenses for Shannon and Braden.

"They've been really, really good with us," Shannon said.
"This is what we do," said Ron Mark, a director with the Shrine Club who's been the liaison between the family and the club. "Our goal is to help children."

The club, which has between 90 and 100 members, helps pay for children's medical procedures, recently sent a boy with a bone disease to Montreal for treatment.

The club raises money by selling cakes throughout the area as well as hosting events such as curling bonspiels and

# Minden Rail Trail workshop rescheduled, more to come

**Chad Ingram** 

Staff reporter

Anyone with an interest in the Haliburton County Rail Trail still has a chance to take part in community workshops on the future of the corridor.

While two workshops were planned for last week, one scheduled for the Minden Hills Community Centre on Nov. 17 was cancelled due to poor weather.

That workshop, open to any member of the public, has been rescheduled for this Thursday, Nov. 24, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the community centre.

It will follow the same format as a workshop that took place at the Haliburton Legion last week, where participants were asked to identify ideas for the Rail Trail and barriers that may be preventing those ideas from becoming reality.

We had a real diversity of folks that came out with different interests," said Kate Hall, a community planning consultant who's been hired the county to conduct a public input process and create a new plan for the controversial corridor.

Twenty-two attendees were broken into small groups where they brainstormed on certain topics, such as their desired experience on the trail and trail management.

"No judgement, nobody has a bad idea . . . we're not looking for consensus," Hall said.

Attendees rotated tables and topics.

Hall said some of the barriers identified included funding, political will "and just a divergence around vision."

While some attendees wanted to see mixed multi-use trail including motorized uses, others wanted a better surface for cycling.

"Some like the trail just the way it is," Hall said.

This week's meeting will follow the same format.

"If you came to one, you don't have to come to the other,"

Between this week and next, Hall and the five-member citizen committee assisting her in the process will analyze the data from the two workshops and make it available to people before next week's workshops.

Those workshops, scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 29 at the

Minden Hills Community Centre at 9 a.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall at Fleming College, will look at solutions to the barriers raised in the first set of meetings.

To register for this week visit rtworkshopminden.eventbrite.com. For the following meetings, visit mindenrtworkshop2.eventbrite.com and haliburtonrtworkshop2.event-



Lions thank Moose morning man

**Chad Ingram** Staff

Moose FM morning man Rick Lowes, left, was presented with a lifetime membership to the Lions Club Camp Kirk by Minden club president Brian Smith during a spaghetti dinner at the Minden Lions Hall on Nov. 18. The Lions were recognizing Lowes for his support of the community.

#### our editorial

# Saving the yard

'T'S GREAT TO SEE that two local organizations - Places for People and the Rotary Club of Minden are stepping up to proverbial plate to save the Highland Yard.

When Amici Camping Charity,

the grassroots group that had been running the event for 25 years, announced in the summer it would be doing so no longer, it seemed possible the Yard was finished.

However, it seems behind the scenes the two local groups were already in discussion about taking over the

event from Amici and that has now come to fruition.

The retention of the Highland Yard is great news for Minden, which, if anything, could use more summer events, certainly not fewer.

The Highland Yard has a long history stretching back to 1971 when it was started by Camp Onondaga.

It also has a large number of repeat customers, cottagers and campers who, year after year, take part in the

It has become part of summer at the cottage for many families.

From what I understand, the event drew its peak crowds when more of the area's camps were participating.

Perhaps stirring up some fun competition between camps would be a way to restore the event back to the size of its glory days.

Along with preserving a local tra-

dition, it will also be a great oppor-tunity for Places for People and the Rotary Club to promote the wonderful work they do.

#### Speak up

Tomorrow night, Thursday, Nov. 24, the rescheduled public visioning workshop for the Haliburton County Rail Trail is taking place at the

Minden Hills Community Centre.

Anyone with the slightest interest in the Rail Trail should make a point of attending.

I know there has been some cynicism about the new public input process from members of some user groups, but, like it or not, this is your chance.

This is the framework the county has chosen and those who don't speak up have no right to complain about the outcome.

So come out, make your opinion known, and help the county (hopefully) solve one of its most complex and problematic issues.



**Chad Ingram** Reporter

# Kwarky One for me, and one for you. One for me...

letters to the editor

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# **Opportunity** for everyone

I am rather concerned about the reeve of Minden Hills publicly revealing much of the township's demands for the next round of collective bargaining as it relates to claw backs from the employees' benefit plan.

In my opinion, this leaves the township wide open to a bad faith bargaining complaint and/or perhaps a unfair labour practice charge as well with the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

I feel the township needs to be looking at what the root cause of the spike in short-term disability claims is and deal with that problem before deciding to blame the staff. An internal inquiry such as this would have to include all elements that contribute to the work environment ratepayers, staff, management and of course the politicians as well. This would provide everyone the opportunity to put more

To the Editor,

effort towards improving the workplace.

**Richard Bradley Moore Falls** 

# See the world differently

To the Editor,

I have just finished reading Neil Campbell's column With God on our side (Nov. 16). Mr. Campbell writes:

"In the West Bank, even today, Israeli troops drive Palestinians from their land, burn olive groves, steal water sources, sack villages, fire tear gas and bullets, sometimes rubber, sometimes real, at those who object. Shades of Saddam. Hurrah for our side!

I'm not sure who "our side" is in this example but, to add insult to injury, he later refers to this, and other examples cited, as "smaller versions of the Holocaust."

The situation in the Middle East is complex to say the least; to refer to the actions of one player without providing context or any explanation as to what transpires in that part of the world on a daily basis, is inappropriate. I'm not going to defend the actions of the Israeli military but would simply observe that,

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# points of view

# **Playing doctor**

ESPITE THE FACT that I've played doctor a time or two, I am not qualified to give medical advice that anyone should even remotely consider. Nor should I be trusted to perform even the simplest of surgeries. In fact, I typically mess up Band-Aid placement.

There, I said it.

If more people admitted the same, this world just might be a better place.

Also, this week we wouldn't be hearing about a woman who allowed someone posing as a doctor to inject an unhealthy mix of cement, flat tire sealant and mineral oil into her butt.

The victim was looking to cheap out on butt-enhancing plastic surgery. So she agreed to the procedure, which at \$700, was, at first blush, a bargain.

This begs several questions. First, why on earth cement?

As a skilled non-doctor in my own right, I can honestly say that a

cement injection would have probably been my last choice of treatments right after gummy bears.

Being completely ignorant of the science of medicine, I could be convinced that the flat tire sealant makes sense - especially if the patient lives in an area where people commonly sit on vindictive porcupines - but cement? Well, that's just crazy. OK, so is tire seal-

The mineral oil, of course, is an entirely different matter and one that I don't have a considered non-medical opinion about. But I'm sure there was a good unfounded, unproven, pseudo-medical reason for it.

I mean this unlicensed doc-

tor couldn't have been a quack, right?

My money says yes she

I'm normally not one to judge a book by its cover, but I have to say that the mug shot hinted that this unlicensed doctor wasn't very good at cosmetic surgery. It might have been the horrible pouty lips, arched eyebrows and over-

sized artificial butt that tipped me off. But then again, who am I to judge?

I know nothing about this stuff. But I do know that if you plan on getting any sort of cosmetic surgery done, be sure that the person doing it doesn't look like a cartoon character. Or if they do, make sure that they at least have medical qualifications.

But forget all that. What I find just as disconcerting is that the patient was a perfectly good-looking woman. There was actually no need for her to have any sort of cosmetic surgery in the first place. She only opted for it because she thought it would help her get a job as a bartender at a popular local nightclub.

And this desperation and peer pressure caused her to go to someone who thought it would be OK to inject cement into a person - which, of course, is not a good thing to do.

Then again, to be a bartender at a big city nightclub, it never hurts to be a bit of a hard ass.

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**Steve Galea** 

Beyond 35

ATE AT NIGHT, wrapped in a shroud of fog or blowing snow, a sobering student wonders if the walk across the Harvard Bridge will ever end.

How long, oh Lord, how long? And so he stops and looks down and sees the words written there "Halfway to Hell" and he knows he is only 182 smoots from home.

For the words mark the midway mark in a stroll that carries the scholar from Boston to Cambridge across the Charles River. How long is the bridge?

Since 1958, the official distance has been 364.4 smoots. Give or take an ear, the margin of error. The length of his ear, not the width, says the original Smoot, Oliver Reed, Jr.

The smoots were not his idea. Smoot was just the measuring stick for a band of fraternity pledges at the best engineering school in America. Oliver was the shortest of the pledges

Like Oliver, a smoot reaches 67 inches. The pledges meant to use a string to measure the bridge, but when an upperclassman turned up to watch, they had to measure the smoots with

He laid down at the Boston end of the bridge and the incipient engineers marked the position of his head and

feet. Then he got up and laid down again with his head against the marker for his feet.

End-over-end, he crossed the bridge. Up and down, 364 times, gets exhausting. By the end of it, depending on which

version you believe, his pledge mates were carrying or dragging him from marker to marker.

Partway across the bridge, a police cruiser stopped to see what they were up to. Fresh paint, paint cans, late night on a Boston sidewalk kind of suspicious, I suppose.

So the survey crew scattered, made a dash for the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) at the Cambridge end of the bridge. When the coast was clear, they came back to finish the job. Today, police use the smoot markers to identify accident locations in their reports.

The Brown Dog Jiggs thinks I am making this all up, but who could make up a story like that? If you don't believe in smoots, grab a plane down to Boston and take a look at the Har-

There on the sidewalk, half a cen-

tury later, are numbered markers at 10-smoot intervals, encouraging roistering scholars with the news that they are that much closer to home.

Pledges renew the markers, changing the paint colour every semester. When the bridge was renovated, the new sidewalk was divided at smoot intervals. rather than the conventional six feet.

Smoot is not far from Smurf; the name has a certain ring to it. If the littlest pledge had been, say, Bob Jones, probably the markers

would have been left to fade away.

Oliver Smoot certainly didn't fade away. Eventually both a lawyer and an engineer, he became president of the International Organization for Standardization, which is what ISO stands

But nothing he did, he told a radio interviewer, has had such long-term consequences as the measuring of the Harvard bridge in smoots.

To tell the truth, I spent a lot of time in Boston when I was a hockey writer without ever hearing about smoots. It was not the kind of subject likely to figure in conversations at the old Boston

Garden.

But smoots kept showing up in the Boston mystery novels of Dennis Lehane and Robert Parker and so I investigated.

There are smoot sticks, I found. On the Internet, the smoot is a unit of measurement for Google Earth. Google Calculator translates any length you please into smoots.

Smoots are no more illogical than, say, inches or furlongs, gallons or pounds, all arbitrary measurements usually arrived at through the consensus of history.

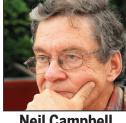
Not always history. Former U.S. Senator Jake Garn threw up so much on a space shuttle mission that space sickness is measured in garns.

As for Oliver Smoot, he's 71 years old. Most of us shrink as we age. By the time they lay him out, old Oliver's length is apt to be one smoot less an

Neil Campbell will be signing his book, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, at Whispers North in Minden after Saturday's Santa Claus parade. His book is available in stores across Haliburton County.

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**Neil Campbell** Back of Beyond

# letters

# Freedom can be taken for granted

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if we lived in an environment where we were regularly subjected to a deluge of rockets, suicide bombers and other terrorist attacks, we might see the world differently and play by different rules as well.

Moreover, to draw a parallel between this activity and the Holocaust is insulting and disrespects the memories of all the victims, not to mention our troops who gave their lives to fight for the freedoms that we too often take for granted.

> J. Gollob Toronto/Carnarvon

# How many taxpayer dollars per foot?

To the Editor,

I am amazed at the apparent wealth of the township of Minden Hills. I have no other way to explain the rigorous pursuit and expense the township bylaw group has invested in the past eight months to ensure I move my shed —a whole four

I purchased a property in July 2010 and it had a shed on it. Been there for better than 10 years, by all accounts. In response to some weekly "desk pounding" by a disgruntled neighbour with nothing better to do, the township has since spent the last eight months trying to get me to move the shed, which I never put there and has been there for many years.

This week, this sordid tale of effort and expense has culminated in receipt of a letter from the township's solicitor ... demanding I comply, and move the shed ... four feet.

So the lesson for all is, if you want to jam your neighbour, the township will support you in this effort and will spare no expense. Go pound your fist on the bylaw enforcement's desk —do it weekly, or daily if you have the luxury. The bylaw enforcement officer will pursue this with rigour as he gets tired of having you in his office. Keep at it, don't give up. Of course if you have a job or responsibilities you likely won't be able to do this ... in this case don't expect any action or support — or your voice to be heard.

> **Ryan Smith** Oshawa and Minden

# **Artist program grows**

To the Editor,

I would like to thank you for the ongoing coverage in both the Echo and Times of the Arts Council~Haliburton Highlands, Artists in the Schools Program. This program is unique to Haliburton County in providing work for local professional artists and excellent artist-led learning experiences for our elementary students. I would also like to take this opportunity to let you and your readers know that we have been able to reverse the trend in our previously reported "shrinking" program! Recent community and individual donations and a commitment of \$5,000 from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board Enhancement Funds, will enable us to "grow" our original 14 classrooms to 23, only two less than last year's peak of 25. Thank you Haliburton County! Please continue to support this wonderful program. For more information or to make a donation, please contact me at gail@haliburtonarts.on.ca or call 705-457-8033.

> **Gail Stelter. Education Coordinator Artists in the Schools** Arts Council~Haliburton Highlands

# Shoes on tree an expression of community, not antagonism

Re: Trees laid waste in frantic shoe-removal initiative:

Mr. Hodgson seems to be mad with power here in his haste to beautify Kinmount. Godspeed to you, good sir, I say. Could you possibly send your crew over to South Lake Road when they're done there? We have a shoe tree situation here of our own. We need a man to get the job done, and apparently I'm looking at him. Just pick the shoes off, though. Leave the tree. You've got my permission to use my tax dollars.

Yes, we all know the tree I'm talking about. There it stands on the road to Minden, once a stately old pine, now just a disgrace and an embarrassment. I've read enough Hans Christian Andersen in my time to know that this poor tree has very real thoughts and feelings. It's crying out right now, and what it's saying, translated roughly from "tree", is "What the hell!

Let's face it: those aren't Manolos or Louboutins defacing our fair pine, which is unfortunate because then maybe it could be considered a work of art. No, those are someone's cast-off dollar-store flip flops, or beaten-up old sneakers. "Well I don't need these old things anymore...hmmm...what to do?... what to do?...Hey, why not whip them up into this tree?!" Well, obvi-

What's that? Your kids love that tree? They get excited when they approach it, and scream with delight when they spot the "shoe tree"? Here's this: kids aren't that bright. They're kids! They have dopey ideas! I was one of those kids, to my eternal shame. I screamed with delight, too. Now I scream in horror.

It seems I'm vastly outnumbered. It seems I've struck a nerve here at home, particularly in my son who, it seems, has a real axe to grind. And not one that will be employed cutting down said tree anytime soon.

Nathan: How dare you purport to speak here for scores, nay, hundreds, if not thousands of others, you 50-year-old battle axe! It becomes a matter of one person foisting her narrowminded aesthetic vision on the rest of us, many of whom still harbour cherished childhood memories of a special tree we once knew and loved.

Me: I'm not 50!

Melanie Sedgwick

#### **Counterpoint:**

Well, as we meddlesome kids would say: SRSLY? Admittedly, I can't speak on the issue of what was done to the shoe trees in Kinmount. Perhaps they were sloppier than the original, er, "exhibit" on South Lake Road, in which case it's understandable that Mr. Hodgson wouldn't want to get on his climbing boots and pick each damp pair of footwear off the trees. (I'd pay the extra 30 cents to know that somebody somewhere didn't have to waste their time doing that.) But let's not pretend that a tree with shoes on it is such an offensive burden on the senses. I even got my dear mother to admit that she herself always got excited as a kid whenever she passed the shoe tree on South Lake Road. The unspoken point being, "I've got mine, so screw the kids these days. Think they're so great, what with their text-messaging and their ability to work a DVD player..."

Aside from the obvious point that nobody would even notice the tree in the first place if it didn't have the shoes on it (deny it, just deny it), the fact that the shoes themselves aren't top-tier designer brands is exactly the point. Not only does the casualness act as a celebration of the tree, but the worn-in shoes are an acknowledgement of how many different generations have come through the area and have taken it upon themselves to make a one-second blur seem a little more exciting. After wearing-down their footwear, I'd think that they foist them up on the tree as an expression of community, not antagonism or crudity. What, you'd rather see all those shoes end up in some landfill? What about all that poor sand that cries out in agony?

The point isn't the shoes. The point is the tree. And though three shoe trees within a 20-mile radius might be pushing it (there's a thing called "subtlety"), this issue of "disturbing the tree" can be best summed-up by paraphrasing our dear departed Professor Carlin: the planet's been through volcanoes, earthquakes, tectonic plate-shifting, ice ages, meteors... and you think a bunch of shoes make a difference? The fact that a shoe tree could actually cause this kind of uproar brings his final point even closer to the truth: The planet is fine — the people are messed up.

Nathaniel Wisnicki



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#### Members' Show at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery Come and vote for your favorite in the People's Choice Award!

Come see the work submitted by our talented Gallery Members and vote for your favorite in the People's Choice Award. Be sure to join us for the closing reception on Saturday, December 17, at 3:00pm. The People's Choice winner will be announced, and all in attendance can enjoy some Holiday Cheer as well.

For more information on any of these events, please go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com or 705-286-2808

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#### NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2011 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

1. File No. SRA-10-15

#### Applicant – Eric MEYER

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 18, Concession 2, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9352, registered November 8, 2011.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

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Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST Planning Administrator

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# Scott makes Queen's Park return

#### **Lisa Gervais**

**Lindsay Post Reporter** 

With the Ontario Legislature electing a speaker of the house Nov. 21 and the speech from the throne Nov. 22, newly re-elected Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott is back in the thick of it at Queen's Park.

Since her Oct. 6 victory, Scott said she had been working seven days a week criss-crossing her large riding to meet with people, and, more recently, learning the critic portfolios for the Ministry of Natural Resources and women's

"It does seem to be a lot of work all at once but I am figuring out how to pace it," she said, adding "I like to be busy and it is a learning curve. But there is the nice part that I've been there before. I know where the washrooms are at Queen's Park," she said with a laugh.

She said she is "really excited" about being back.

"It's a bit of an old home week and we have a whole new cast of characters to play with too, because we have 16 new caucus members."

For four days a week, she will be in her new office in

the west wing of the main building and says she has great neighbours, fellow MPPs Christine Elliot, Norm Miller, Steve Clark and Lisa Thompson. "So we have a nice mix."

In fact, she's been told she will host a "joint welcome back to the Park" function on Nov. 22. "Back in the old days, my office was frequented by lots of members and staff," she

"It's going to be good and I am thrilled that there's new blood in the whole Parliament in general."

She added the fact that it is a minority government will bring its own set of twists and turns.

"The minority government is unbelievably tricky. We had the clerk in this week giving us the three scenarios that could happen to bring about a vote of no confidence. So, it's very technical and I think that everybody is feeling their

However, she said she thinks the PCs and NDP can work together with the Liberals on a number of issues to "get some things done that are doable for whatever length of time it [the minority government] lasts."

MPP Laurie Scott is back in the legislature learning her new portfolios. /Photo submitted



# Father credits son for saving his life at camp near Kinmount

#### Lisa Gervais

**Lindsay Post Reporter** 

An Omemee man is crediting his 10-year-old son with saving his life.



James Thomas was hunting near Crystal Lake Road on Remembrance Day. He was dragging a deer that had been shot when he began to have severe chest pains.

His son, Wyatt, acted like a crutch helping his dad



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"He had to run up hill two kilometres to find someone with a phone," a very proud James said. The doctors said stress had contributed to the heart attack, since he is just 32 years old, he said

Wyatt recalls telling the man he found "excuse me, my dad's having a heart attack."

The man came to the trailer with Wyatt and called 911. He was taken to Minden Hospital but airlifted to Richmond Hill and taken by land ambulance to Newmarket

He got out of hospital on Nov. 18.

James said he wanted to tell the story because he believed his son deserved attention for what he had done.

It was just so special to me and meant a lot to me. Had he not been there I would have died. He is my best friend. He always was my hero and now he can wear the

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Every wildlife encounter is different, yet charged with excitement. Mike Baum Special to the Times

# For the love of it: a hunting tradition

Special to the Times

My calling as a hunter began when I was eight, creeping silently in the forest, just a few steps behind my father. Alert to every sound and detail in the woods around us, we advanced cautiously, starting with the back of the heel and following through to the tips of one's toes - feeling every branch and backing off if too much pressure was applied (to prevent a snap), stopping, waiting patiently and listening with controlled breathing while the heart pounded in anticipation. Occasionally, my father would raise his silencing hand, as if to say, "I think I heard or saw something move." We both stood motionless. Often, we'd be fooled by the slightest sound of a chipmunk, squirrel or partridge - all mimicking the sound of a running deer. It was a thrill to be a guest in nature's theatre, trying to apply our skill against the keen sense of smell, sound, sight and elusive speed of a white-tailed deer. This was my dad's favourite time of year, as it is now for me, nearly 40 years later.

There are no distractions during the hunt: cellphones, computers or TV. Just silence, fresh air and an abundance of beauty found in wildlife and nature's tapestry of late autumn. Walking on uneven terrain all day gives one a sense of accomplishment, a huge dose of exercise and a massive appetite. Back at camp, one feels the glow of exertion and aches and fatigue

in every muscle. It's fun to build camaraderie and excitedly share stories with hunting buddies about sightings and sounds, near misses, and hear each person's experience and then discuss how to improve on our tactics and discuss our triumphs. Planning our strategy for the next hunt, after a delicious, home-cooked meal, is a perfect ending to our day.

Trust a hunter when he tells you there's no trouble falling asleep at night, although some of the guys snore loudly. (The trick is to bring earplugs!) It feels like a very short night though, when the alarm goes off at 5 a.m. Preparation for another pursuit consumes the hunter when his feet hit the floor. He wonders what direction the wind will blow from, since being downwind from deer is paramount. Will it rain miserably, or snow? The latter condition offers great tracking opportunities. Will the hunter catch a glimpse of that elusive buck and in how many split seconds will it vanish before he can react fast enough? Hunting is an endless learning process as one discovers new deer runways, valleys and ridges, streams, ponds, swamps, bedding and feeding areas, signs of mating behaviour, scrapes, and tree rubs. There are so many variables, everything moves quickly and almost nothing is predictable. Every wildlife encounter is different, but always charged with excitement - the cherished content of memories that stay with us for

The real great privilege of a hunter is to spend time in nature. Hunting seems to be the best medicine for stress, as the mind is



Part of the hunt's appeal is the sense of camaraderie amongst fellow hunters

cleared of all things except for the task of finding deer. Many prayers of thanks are expressed during the hunt, just to be alive and healthy enough to be so intimate with

Hunting is a passion and very special to those who value its treasures of beauty and challenges. Having organic, free-range venison roasts or steaks throughout the year is

a bonus, but more important than anything else is just being out there in the bush.

I miss my father. I am so grateful that we shared these special times together. The tradition continues for those who love the sport and are lucky to continue, year after

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# **CAS** drops executive director mid-strike

#### **Elizabeth Bower**

Special to the Echo

The Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society has dumped Hugh Nicholson as the agency's executive director in the midst of a bitter strike by 130 workers including frontline workers and accountants

The agency's directors decided during their board meeting Nov. 16 to put Nicholson on administrative leave until Dec. 31 - the date of his planned retirement.

Board chairman Tim McLaren said in light of the challenges of the strike, which started Oct. 17, the agency and community would be best served with new leadership although he wouldn't elaborate why.

The interim leader is Suzanne Geoffrion who has 30 years experience in the child protection sector, most recently serving as executive director of the Lanark Children's Aid Society.

A new permanent executive director is expected to be hired in the new year.

Nicholson, 64, has served as the local executive director since 2003 and said Wednesday's decision was a surprise.

"It was in some respects a difference of opinion - a difference of priorities about how to proceed and handle the strike," Nicholson said.

He said he was planning to retire in December anyways, so he said it may not be such a bad thing.

"If it means staff get back to work and there are high quality of services for children, then I'm all for it," Nichol-

Jennifer Smith, president of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union Local 334, said she hadn't heard the news of Nicholson's departure until contacted by The Examiner on Wednesday night.

"Wow, let's get back to the table and back to the business that we do best and that's not picketing," Smith said. "I can tell you we all miss our jobs."

Smith said the management style of senior directors, including Nicholson, was "oppressive."

"It created significant barriers to the quality of work we do and the inter-relations of the agency," she said. "This needs to change. I hope the new director can create a change in this area."

Striking workers have argued for better working conditions, including reduced caseloads and better hours.

Meanwhile, Nicholson's job officially ended Wednesday although he said he has some personal belongings, including a painting created by his wife and some personal photos, that he still must pick up from the Chemong Rd. office.

Nicholson said he was glad to work with the management staff members who have recently been working "around the clock" since the strike.

"They're a great group of people to work with," he said. He said he plans to take life easy and enjoy time with his family and friends - something he said he hasn't been able to do with the pressure of the strike.

# Local entrepreneurial competition returns

#### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

Bears' Lair is back.

The entrepreneurial competition, based on the CBC's Dragons' Den television show, is happening again in 2012 and is looking for contestants.

The contest asks residents in Haliburton, Peterborough and Northumberland counties and the City of Kawartha Lakes to pitch their business ideas to a panel of judges at four regional events.

The winner of each event then moves on to the finale at Peterborough's Showplace Theatre, where a champion is

The winners of the regional competitions, as well the finale, win cash, products and in-kind services for their businesses.

Kayla Wilkins is the woman behind Haliburton County's roller derby league and took her derby school/league to the county's 2011 competition.

While she didn't win, Wilkins said the experience was a

"Preparing for the Bear's Lair competition was a tough process," she told the paper, explaining that process included developing a business plan and then turning that plan into an oral presentation.

"Public speaking doesn't really come naturally to me, so it's something I've had to practice and really work on," she said. "Coaching roller derby has definitely helped me develop that skill and I would say doing the presentation of the Bears' Lair competition in turn helped me to become more comfortable coaching large groups of derby skaters."

Her advice to competitors is to conduct very thorough

research.

"The judges want to see that your plan is well-developed and that you've done the background work to show how your plan is a viable one."

Last year's champion was Jo Ann Baguioro-Thompson and her all-natural dog biscuit business, Tiburon Treats Inc., has expanded with a manufacturing facility in Port Hope.

This year's celebrity judge and keynote speaker at the Peterborough finale will be Ron Buist, marketing director for Tim Hortons for the past 24 years. Buist is credited with bringing the brand the immense popularity it enjoys

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# Haliburton group forms to support Occupy Toronto movement

#### **Riley Maracle**

Co-op student

Members of the Haliburton community inspired by the Occupy Movement have put their ideals into practice, supporting the Toronto group in their own way.

Local resident Doug Smith and a few friends from Minden, West Guilford and Carnarvon decided to create the Haliburton Occupy Support Project (HOSP).

On Nov. 6, HOSP went to Toronto to drop off one cord of hardwood to the people who have been camping out.

Smith felt "wood was a good way to support" the movement.

Occupy Toronto is one of the more than 2,300 non-violent protests that have taken place or are still in progress around the

People from all over the country have been camping out at St. James Park in Toronto to voice their concern about the way the world's governments are being run - favouring the rich over the poor.

Once the group from Haliburton arrived, one of the people from the movement came and saw what was happening and decided to do a "mike check," which is a technique to get people to help or to focus on a certain job, and in no time 12 to 14 people were helping to unload the wood.

Damien Deveau, a member of HOSP, said he was impressed by the group's efficiency

"I've never seen such a collective and effective way to get a job done without money being used." Deveau said.

After delivering the wood they walked around talking to people and offering their



Local Occupy Toronto supporters have made trips to the city to support the movement in recent weeks. St. James Park was once filled with protesters, who have since been asked to leave. /Photo by Kevin Janos Konnyu

homes to those who needed a break from it all.

Deveau said people have shown interest in coming up here for a break, but they felt like things were getting too intense that they couldn't leave Toronto.

Smith said HOSP is on standby if support

Smith believes this is a "revolutionary moment" for society, and said the solution is to "critique the capitalist system."

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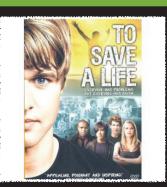
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# Reads of the week



#### **Book of the Week, Adult Title:**

Before the Poison by Peter Robinson

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## Local Celebrity Read:

Tom Ballentine, director of the Haliburton Museum, recently finished Fear The Worst by Canadian thriller author Linwood Barclay. "I was looking for something different to read and read an article in the Trent alumni magazine featuring the author," says Ballentine. "This

bestseller turned out to be an excellent choice. I became deeply engrossed almost immediately."

Explaining the plot, Ballentine says, "A father's night-

mare begins when his daughter doesn't come home one night after work. He starts making calls to see what's going on and it becomes apparent that there is something amiss. How much do people really know about their children and associates? The lead character isn't a super spy, secret agent, or adventurer. He's a car salesman just trying to get by. Life hasn't really equipped him to deal with this but he loves his daughter – he is going to find her—no matter what! Horror follows horror. Everyone seems to be in collusion and the police are his worst nightmare come true. The only people he can rely on are those closest to him, imperfect as their relationships might be."

"Fear The Worse was a page turner from the outset," Ballentine concludes. "You won't want to put it down."

#### **News & Events:**

Amy Brohm of Haliburton was the first winner of the Haliburton County Public Library's Facebook Book Basket contest. Each week until Christmas we will be giving away a basket of advance-edition books to one of our Facebook followers. "Like" us on Facebook for a chance to win!

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# **Canoe FM meeting tops the charts**

#### **Darren Lum**

Staff reporter

The little radio station that could is reveling in its efforts for a record-breaking year.

Haliburton's community radio station Canoe FM announced record revenues of \$239,539 to the largest audience ever for an annual general meeting at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association fish hatchery on Wednes-

Station president Paul Cameron, who kept things light with his own unique brand of humour, commended the approximately 80 volunteers and board members for their efforts in this year's success.

"Our volunteers and employees have been truly committed to the success that Canoe FM has achieved over

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by advertising sales rep Dave Allen.

Additional revenue came from fundraising and donations. Among the major fundraisers included the radiothon that raised close to \$16,000 and the Country Music Hoe-Down brought in \$7,000.

Brian Daoust, the station's lead fundraiser, said there was more than \$30,000 in donations.

Roxanne Casey, formerly station coordinator, was named station manager and gave credit for the success to the volunteers.

"During this past year, volunteers gave this station over 12,867 hours' worth of volunteer [time]. If we had to pay staff to put in this amount of time it would equate to about \$193,000. When you start figuring out these statistics, it's a bit overwhelming," she said. "So thank you so very much for all the time you give. I learned a long time ago that time is one of the most precious gifts that any of us can give, so please know that I do appreciate the gift of your time."

Although records were broken this year, the station has set the bar even higher goals to increase revenue by 15 per cent this coming year and to elevate fundraising totals by 24 per cent over last year's goal of \$37,000.

The not-for-profit station started with an idea led by Don Cameron, Dave Sovereign and Jack Hewitt in July 2003. At that first meeting there were 14 people with 10 families who each contributed \$100, a commitment towards the establishment of community radio in Haliburton.

It took about 30 minutes to count the 38 member ballots, which was also the largest voter turnout ever to elect this year's board of directors. The radio station's board of directors, who were voted in at the meeting are Paul Cameron, Jay Bomberry, Scotty Morrison, Barry Willhelm, Lynda Hahn and Brad Sales.

Case Bassie, Malcolm MacLean, Betty Moffatt and Judy Neimann will continue on the board, serving the second year of their two-year term.

Greg Roe, who is a past president, has stepped away from the board, but will continue volunteering with the station.

Among the station's past year of achievements and accomplishments includes former employee Nick Bronson being hired by a radio station in Oshawa, the renewal of their broadcasting license by the Canadian Radio-Television Telecommunications Commission until December, 2012, the update of the website, enabled intern Greg Dodsworth of Loyalist College to gain experience for two months, and Scotty Morrison, current director with the station, being named the Highlander of the Year by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

Casey said the public often lifts her spirits with kind words or small donations.

"These small things make me smile and make me feel so very proud to be part of Canoe FM. This station is most definitely an integral part of Haliburton County and it would truly be very difficult to imagine this community without Canoe FM," she said in her prepared statement.





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The Canoe FM board of directors for 2011 - 2012 are Brad Sales, left, Barry Willhelm, Paul Cameron, Betty Moffatt, Jay Bomberry, Scotty Morrison and Malcom MacLean. Absent for the photo are Case Bassie, Linda Hahn and Judy



**Darren Lum** Staff

Canoe FM studio engineer Ron Murphy holds up a sign, prompting the audience to laugh at president Paul Cameron's joke.

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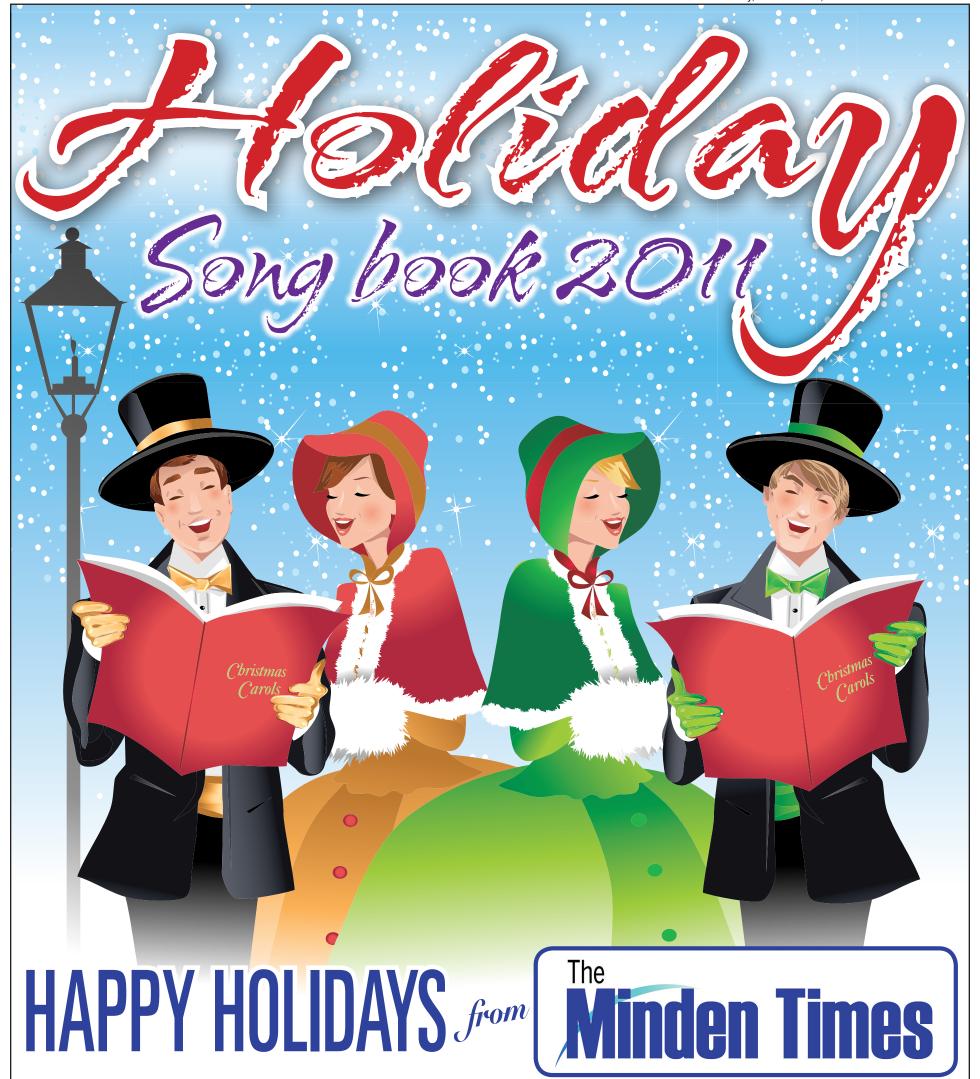
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#### Away in a manger

Away in a manger, No crib for His bed The little Lord Jesus Laid down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky Looked down where He lay The little Lord Jesus Asleep on the hay

> The cattle are lowing The poor Baby wakes But little Lord Jesus No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus Look down from the sky And stay by my side, 'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever And love me I pray

Bless all the dear children In Thy tender care And take us to heaven To live with Thee there



#### Frosty the snowman

Frosty the snowman was a jolly happy soul, With a corncob pipe and a button nose And two eyes made out of coal. Frosty the snowman is a fairy tale, they say, He was made of snow but the children Know how he came to life one day. There must have been some magic in that Old silk hat they found. For when they placed it on his head He began to dance around. O, Frosty the snowman Was alive as he could be, And the children say he could laugh And play just the same as you and me. Thumpetty thump thump, Thumpety thump thump, Look at Frosty go. Thumpetty thump thump, Thumpety thump thump, Over the hills of snow.

Frosty the snowman knew The sun was hot that day, So he said, "Let's run and We'll have some fun Now before I melt away." Down to the village, With a broomstick in his hand, Running here and there all Around the square saying, Catch me if you can. He led them down the streets of town Right to the traffic cop. And he only paused a moment when He heard him holler "Stop!" For Frosty the snow man Had to hurry on his way, But he waved goodbye saying, "Don't you cry, I'll be back again some day." Thumpetty thump thump, Thumpety thump thump, Look at Frosty go. Thumpetty thump thump, Thumpety thump thump,

Over the hills of snow.

#### O little town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem How still we see thee lie Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary And gathered all above While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wondering love O morning stars together Proclaim the holy birth And praises sing to God the King And Peace to men on earth

How silently, how silently The wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His heaven. No ear may his His coming, But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive him still, The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem Descend to us, we pray Cast out our sin and enter in Be born to us today We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell O come to us, abide with us Our Lord Emmanuel





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#### **Deck the halls**

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la, la la la, la la la. Troll the ancient Yule tide carol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Strike the harp and join the chorus. Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure, Fa la la la la, la la la la. While I tell of Yule tide treasure, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Sing we joyous, all together, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

#### Ding dong merrily on high

Ding dong merrily on high, In heav'n the bells are ringing: Ding dong! verily the sky Is riv'n with angel singing. Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below, Let steeple bells be swungen, And "Io, io, io!" By priest and people sungen. Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime Your matin chime, ye ringers; May you beautifully rime Your evetime song, ye singers. Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

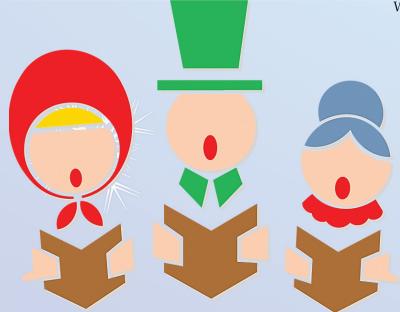
#### O come all ye faithful

O Come All Ye Faithful Joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem. Come and behold Him, Born the King of Angels; O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

O Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation, Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word. Give to our Father glory in the Highest; O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

Christ the Lord.

All Hail! Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning, O Jesus! for evermore be Thy name adored. Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.





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#### Hark the herald angels sing

Play Music! Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King! Peace on earth and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled Joyful, all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies With the angelic host proclaim: Christ is born in Bethlehem Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King!

Christ by highest heav'n adored Christ the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold Him come Offspring of a Virgin's womb Veiled in flesh the Godhead see Hail the incarnate Deity Pleased as man with man to dwell Jesus, our Emmanuel Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King!

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings Ris'n with healing in His wings Mild He lays His glory by Born that man no more may die Born to raise the sons of earth Born to give them second birth Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King!

#### O holy night

O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining, It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining. Till He appeared and the Spirit felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices! O night divine, the night when Christ was born; O night, O Holy Night, O night divine! O night, O Holy Night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand. O'er the world a star is sweetly gleaming, Now come the wisemen from out of the Orient land. The King of kings lay thus lowly manger; In all our trials born to be our friends. He knows our need, our weakness is no stranger, Behold your King! Before him lowly bend! Behold your King! Before him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another, His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains he shall break, for the slave is our brother.

And in his name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, With all our hearts we praise His holy name. Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we, His power and glory ever more proclaim! His power and glory ever more proclaim!

#### **Jingle bells**

Dashing through the snow In a one horse open sleigh O'er the fields we go Laughing all the way Bells on bob tails ring Making spirits bright What fun it is to laugh and sing A sleighing song tonight

Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh

A day or two ago I thought I'd take a ride And soon Miss Fanny Bright Was seated by my side The horse was lean and lank Misfortune seemed his lot We got into a drifted bank And then we got upsot

Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh yeah

Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh, what fun it is to ride In a one horse open sleigh



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You better watch out You better not cry Better not pout I'm telling you why Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list And checking it twice; Gonna find out Who's naughty and nice Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping He knows when you're awake He knows if you've been bad or good So be good for goodness sake! O! You better watch out!

You better not cry Better not pout I'm telling you why Santa Claus is coming to town Santa Claus is coming to town

#### Silent night

Silent night, holy night All is calm, all is bright Round yon Virgin Mother and Child Holy Infant so tender and mild Sleep in heavenly peace Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight Glories stream from heaven afar Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia! Christ, the Saviour is born Christ, the Saviour is born

Silent night, holy night Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from Thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth



#### From base to summit, gay and bright, There's only splendor for the sight. O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree! Thy candles shine so brightly! O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree! How richly God has decked thee!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Thy leaves are so unchanging;

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Thy leaves are so unchanging;

Not only green when summer's here,

But also when 'tis cold and drear. O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Thy leaves are so unchanging!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Much pleasure thou can'st give me;

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Much pleasure thou can'st give me;

How often has the Christmas tree

Afforded me the greatest glee!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Much pleasure thou can'st give me.

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Thy candles shine so brightly!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!

Thy candles shine so brightly!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree! How richly God has decked thee! Thou bidst us true and faithful be, And trust in God unchangingly. O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree! How richly God has decked thee!!







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# Twas the night before Christmas

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,

In hopes that St Nicholas soon would be here

The children were nestled all snug in their

While visions of sugar-plums danced in heir heads.

And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my

Had just settled our brains for a long wi ter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter.

I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw up the

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen

Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below.

When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,

But a miniature sleigh, and eight tinny rei

With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they

And he whistled, and shouted, and called hem by name!

"Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!

On, Comet! On, Cupid! on, on Donner and Blitzen!

To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!

Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly.

When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,

With the sleigh full of Toys, and St Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my head, and was turning around.

Down the chimney St Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.

A bundle of Toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a peddler, just opening his pack.

His eyes-how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!

His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,

And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth.

And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.

He had a broad face and a little round belly, That shook when he laughed, like a bow ful of jelly!

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf

And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself!

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,

And filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk.

And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose!

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle.

And away they all flew like the down of a histle.

But I heard him exclaim, 'ere he drove out of sight,

"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"







# Christmas cheer

Good husband and housewife, now chiefly be glad, Things handsome to have, as they ought to be had.

They both do provide, against Christmas do come, To welcome their neighbors, good cheer to have some.

Good bread and good drink, a good fire in the hall, Brawn, pudding, and souse, and good mustard withal.

Beef, mutton, and pork, and good pies of the best, Pig, veal, goose, and capon, and turkey well drest,

Cheese, apples and nuts, and good carols to hear, As then in the country is counted good cheer.

What cost to good husband, is any of this? Good household provision only it is: Of other the like, I do leave out a many, That costeth the husband never a penny.



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#### NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2011 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as

File No. SRA-10-15

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 18, Concession 2, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9352, registered

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AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

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A view of the construction site from Water Street.

# Make sure your gifts make it under the tree this year

With the Christmas holiday shopping season getting underway, the OPP suggest a number of ways to make sure that your purchases make it under the Christmas tree and not into the hands of an opportunistic thief. During this particular time of the year, we have in the past, seen a rather disturbing trend that has seen sadness and not the joy that the season should bring. Some safe crime prevention tips are:

· Keep wallets and purses safely secured on your person at all times.

· Don't carry large amounts of currency. Utilize debit and credit cards and remember to always protect and shield your PIN number.

· If using cash, only obtain it from recog-

nized financial institution banking machines and not stand alone ATMs as many of the stand alone units are known to be targets of various skimming devices.

· Don't carry large amounts of gifts. Take them to your car and secure them in a trunk or in the case of sport utility vehicles or pick up trucks, place them on the floor and cover them with a blanket.

· Always make sure your vehicle is locked. · Park your vehicle in a well lit area.

All businesses should exercise caution at this time of year through reinforcement and review of crime prevention measures. Ensuring that all staff review current internal crime prevention policies and are aware of their surroundings, including the behaviours of clients can go a long way toward

preventing a possible crime from occurring.

It is important to make certain that time deposit safes are in place and locked, video surveillance measures are in place and properly adjusted to assist in the identification of persons should a crime occur. In order to minimize any potential financial losses, managers should see that minimal amounts

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# sports

# **Victory in** karate tourney

You could feel the excitement in the air as you walked into the Dysart Arena in Haliburton on Sunday morning. Seeing the determined look on the faces on many of those entering, it was evident that there was going to be some strong competition ahead for all.

There were more than 80 karate competitors and 24 black belts in attendance, (and at least as many spectators) including our neighbours from Bancroft, as well as other karate clubs from as far away as Peterborough, Bolton, Coboconk, Toronto and London, Ont.

They all came to test their skills against our local Kai-Shin Karate club, as we hosted our seventh annual Invitational Karate Tournament.

The action got underway just before noon and carried on at a fast and furious pace throughout the afternoon, with all of the competitors showing great sportsmanship and finishing up injury-free.

The Haliburton Kai-Shin team, led by head instructor Michael Chapman (Sixth Dan Black Belt) and Sensei Bob Deremo, performed exceptionally well with several club members taking home first, second, third and fourth place medals. Nine-year-old Miki Bukta was among those who took the first place gold medals in both kata (forms) and kumite (sparring).

Story submitted by Chris McCargar

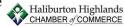


**Darren Lum Staff** 

Lorrie McCauley turns away from the judges during her kata in the seventh annual Invitational Karate Tournament hosted by the Kai Shin Karate Club in Haliburton at the Dysart Arena on Sunday, Nov. 13.

#### Nominations are open to the public

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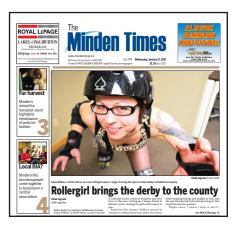
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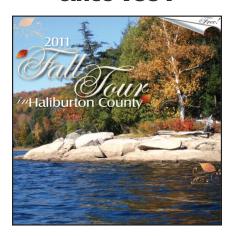
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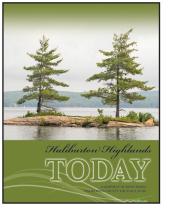


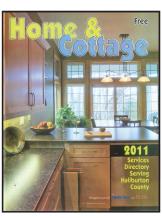
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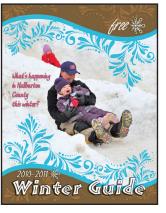


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# Girls lose a heartbreaker to Lindsay Lynx

The Minden Car Quest Storm Bantam B girls' hockey team lost a heart-breaker 1-0 to the first place Lindsay Lynx B squad Thursday night at the Dysart arena. The girls were a little flat and did not have a lot of jump as they took on the first place club. A second period goal that found its way into the net was the lone goal scored in the game. The Storm tried to find the equalizer but were unable to find the back of the

On Sunday afternoon, the Bantam B girls hosted West Northumberland at the Dysart arena again. The Storm squad opened the scoring in the second period with a nice wrister from Sydney Feir that hand-cuffed the goalie.

With a tie game late in the third period, Cassidy Garbutt stuffed home a rebound off a rush by Erin Little.

The Minden Car Quest Bantam B Storm girls travel to Brockville this weekend for their first tournament of the year. Good luck girls as we push to find our A game again. Submitted by Dan Marsden

#### Atom AE keeps pressure on

Playing on Saturday in the Bala arena with only nine skaters the Highland Storm Atom AE team kept the pressure on from start to finish in a 9-1 win over North Muskoka. Miki Bukta and Jake O'Neill led the scoring with two goals each with both players succeeding with hard long range shots. Denver Allore, Braden Robinson, Nigel Smith, Paul Turner and Billy Walker scored one each. Goalie Jaxson Campbell frustrated the North Muskoka offence with some key saves. Missing two defensemen, Storm's defence worked extra-hard with James Alexander showing excellent form stopping North Muskoka's attack.

The Highland Storm Atom AE team kept it close for the first half of the game in Minden on Sunday but were defeated 8-2 by Almaguin. It was one of those games where nothing was going Storm's way while Almaguin was firing on all cylinders and had a hot goaltender. The one bright light for Storm was Nigel Smith who showed maximum hustle and as a result scored both of Storm's goals.

Submitted by Larry Bukta

#### Hard work pays off

The Peewee As travelled to Sundridge on Saturday, Nov. 19 for a game against the Almaguin Ice Devils.

The first goal for the Storm came at the two-minute mark in the first period and continued on till the end for a total of six goals in the first period. Goals by Andrew Hall, Max MacNaull, Chris Thompson (2), Matt Wilbee, and Jake Bull. Assists to Matt Wilbee, Mark Saville (2), Chris Thompson and Max MacNaull. The second period saw three goals by the Storm, who then let down their guard a little allowing the Ice Devils to get two goals. Our goals went to Jake Bishop (2) and Max MacNaull, with Josh Boice assisting on two of them. The third period saw the Storm boys focus again and get four more goals, Greg Crofts (2), Matt Wilbee and Kyle Cooper, assists going to Kyle Cooper (2), Matt Wilbee, Chris Thompson and Max MacNaull. It was nice to see the boys passing the puck, setting up plays and taking shots the way they are taught at practice and putting it to use at a game. Hard work (practice) does pay off.

Our next game is Friday, Nov. 25 in Huntsville at 7 p.m. Submitted by Karena Crofts

#### **Mixed luck for Bantam AEs**

The Dave's Landscaping/McKee Security Bantam AE Storm visited Huntsville on Saturday to face the Otters. The Otters opened the scoring at 8:40 of the second on their first real good chance of the game. The Storm replied three minutes later when Drew Vanlieshout set up Damon Winder in the slot and Winder's low shot found the corner of the net. The two teams came out in the third seemingly content with the tie and mounted little offense. However with 1:41 left in the game Huntsville scored and went ahead after a defensive miscue. Goalie Austin McKay was pulled with a little over a minute left but the Storm gave up an empty net goal and lost

On Sunday night the Parry Sound Shamrocks came to Haliburton and ran into a team ready to atone for all the lost opportunities from the previous night. The Storm won 9-2. Jayden Wood led the score fest with a hat trick. Kyle Lavergne and Lucas Esson scored two goals each while Josh Rowden and Ryan Edwards also scored. Hunter Bishop had three helpers in a strong two-way effort while Brenden McKee picked up two assists and continues to lead the team in hard work. Cole Finlay was the winning goalie.

Submitted by Doug Sullivan

#### Atom As win two more games

We start out our weekend playing our rivals the Bracebridge Bears, and walk away with another win. We started out scoring a goal quickly in the first period by Nik Dollo assisted by Luke Hunter and Benn MacNaull. Within the first 30 seconds of the game we were tied 1-1.

With great determination the boys came out on fire in the third period scoring three more goals. Bo Stevenson scored a beauty, assisted by Nik Dollo. Owen Gilbert scored the third goal for us, assists go to Ethan Glecoff and Shawn Walker.

Benn MacNaull scores our final goal of the game from Nik Dollo with an awesome pass in front of the goalie, Benn was wide open on the right side of the net and he managed to find the back of the net, making the final score 4-3 for Highland Storm.

Carson Sisson also played an awesome game definitely keeping them in the game, with some important saves at the right time kept our boys spirits up and kept them hopeful of a win.

Sunday we played the Gravenhurst Flames and we won with a score of 8-1. Great job boys. With some hard fought skating and loads of shots on net, we ended period one up 3-0 goals were scored by Nik Dollo, Austin French (2) assisted by Zach Morissette (2), and Benn MacNaull.

The second period brought on some more battles back and forth up and down the ice. Our player did a superb job of protecting their goalie, by keeping the Flames shots on net to a minimum. The second periods goals were scored by Owen Gilbert (2), Benn MacNaull (1), assists go to Zach Morissette, LukeHunter, Bo Stevenson, Austin French and Nik Dollo.

The third period was equal to the first two, with our players playing in a defensive mode, we were able to score two more goals to make the final score 8-1, these goals were scored by Owen Gilbert and Austin French giving them both a hat trick in this game, assists are given to Ethan Glecoff and Bo Stevenson.

Submitted by Joanne Sisson

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# Watch out for yourselves

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If you have the feeling drivers are getting more and more aggressive on the roads today, you aren't alone.

It's a sign of our "me first" society, where the individual's rights are often regarded as having a higher priority than those of the next person. It happens in the express lane at the grocery store (where people's needs to get out quickly in the face of full check-out lines means it's ok if they have more than the "allowable" number of items in their carts), at the big box stores (where apparently it's ok to park in noparking zones for the five minutes or so it takes to grab a jug of washer fluid), or even at home (where easy cleanup means blowing all the leaves off your property and onto the street).

Following this line of thinking you also have to drive with your own well being in mind. And I don't mean not letting people merge in front of you to keep the traffic flow moving or accelerating through the yellow light rather than wear down your brakes by stopping. I mean be aware of what others are doing around you and watch out for your own well-being.

Drivers are going to do stupid things - sometimes by choice; sometimes without thinking (I drove through a red light the other day completely as a result of brain flatulence I came to a complete stop at the red light; I checked to make sure there was no traffic coming from either direction; and, I accelerated through the intersection, only to be enlightened half way through that it was a red light, not a stop sign). Sometimes it's you who's being stupid; other times it's others.

It's important to keep your driving in check by giving yourself a huge margin for safety; it's especially important as we head into winter driving, where things happen a lot faster, figuratively speaking (hey actually happen at the same speed or slower, but drivers neglect to compensate

for the increased times between reaction and action).

That's what defensive driving is all about - increasing your time to react in the face of others who may not.

Too many drivers are only interested in what's ahead of them - only interested in where they're going, whereas they also need to be aware of where others are going.
Watch your mirrors to be aware of what's happen-

ing behind you; use your peripheral vision to be aware of what's going on beside you; if somebody's too close on your vehicle's tail for comfort, give yourself a bit more room up ahead and plan an escape route; watch the pedestrian countdown clocks at intersections and if you can't make the green light while maintaining speed, slow down for the coming yellow, rather than speeding up to beat it (when you speed up, reaction times shrink).

In general, get more control of the things over which you have control and you'll find you probably have better control of your vehicle.

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The Minden Health Care Auxiliary recently purchased four tables for the Hyland Crest dining rooms. Residents Wilf Ackerblade, Verna Stewart and Esme Wales, staff Susie Coumbs and Kathy Anderson, CEO Paul Rosebush and auxiliary members Judith McNeilage and Mickey Bonham sit around the new tables.





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The Communities in Action and Rural Transportation Options Committees are undertaking a survey about transportation needs, options and choices in Haliburton County. The survey can be accessed on-line at this link: http://app. fluidsurveys.com/s/transportationsurvey/. Paper copies can be found at the Dorset Branch of the HCPL located in the Dorset Recreation Centre.

The survey takes about 5 minutes to complete. Even if you don't find transportation to be a challenge, your input is valued. Section 3 asks questions specifically about active transportation, including cycling. Please take a few minutes to let the committee know what you think, and please pass on the link to other who may be willing to complete

The Communities in Action and Rural Transportation Options Committees are working with two students from Trent University through U-Links who are assisting with the data analysis and expect that a report on the survey findings will be completed in the spring.

Everyone is invited to join the celebration, on Tuesday, Nov. 29, when Haliburton writers once again take over the Pepper Mill Restaurant in Carnarvon, for HHWEN's annual fun-filled evening of great food, readings, laughter and song. Cash bar opens at 5 p.m.; hot and cold buffet dinner at 6 p.m. On the menu are scrumptious roast beef and special desserts.

All this for the bargain price of \$25 per person (tax & tips included) and the events is open to the public. Registrations are due by Nov. 26 by calling or emailing Kay at 705-286-6635 or kathleenmillard61@sympatico.ca.

Organizers encourage all to kick off the Christmas season by coming out for an old fashioned carol sing complete with hot dogs, hot chocolate, lighting of the community tree and lots of fun. This traditional annual event known as the

Community Christmas Tree Lighting takes place this Sunday, Nov. 27 starting at 4:30 p.m. beside the Dorset fire hall. The event is being sponsored and organized by The Dorset Lions Club and the Dorset Volunteer Fire Department.

The Annual Dorset Children's Christmas Party will be taking place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 2 to 4 p.m. All are welcome to this great activity sponsored by The Dorset Lions Club. For more information, contact Steve Cyopick at 705-766-2469.

Dorset always makes a good showing and the need is bigger than ever. Get in the Christmas spirit and contribute to the Annual Food and Toy Drive taking place on Wednesday, Dec. 7 starting at 6 p.m. with volunteers leaving from Lions Camp Dorset.

Many items are needed and include baby food and diapers, pasta and sauce, Kraft Dinner, canned goods, toys for all ages, cat and dog food, cleaning supplies and paper products such as toilet paper. Please do not include perishable (fresh food) items.

Cash donations are also being accepted. If you can't be home that night, you can drop donations at any of the drop off spots such as Robinson's General Store, Tower Hill Marine, the Dorset Township Office or TimBr Mart. Another option would be to leave your items with a neigh-

Birthday wishes for the week of Nov. 20 to 26 go out to Alina Moon, Farrah Dukoff, Mike Baum and Bill Scott. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

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# **Christmas is coming to Kinmount**



**Patti Fleury** Around the Town

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Watching the Toronto Santa Claus Parade this past Sunday was a frustrating experience with so many commercials blocking out the bands and floats. For so many years growing up we travelled by streetcar downtown to Eatons to watch the parade and see Santa climb in through the fifth floor window. Mom always told us that he was the real McCoy and the other stores employed his brothers of which there apparently were seven. After graduating from university our older son David, himself born on Christmas morning, worked for Kodak selling huge commercial printing systems. That first year he decided to do his customer holiday calls dressed in a full Santa costume. By late afternoon however he had the flu with a high temperature and sweating. Heading home David dropped in to his doctor's office feeling utterly miserable and desperate to shed beard and woolens. There he was greeted with a waiting room filled with small, red nosed children whose eyes widened at the sight of Santa so sick with only two days to go. With reassurance for the anxious little ones and a prescription for the big guy the doctor, another David, saved the day.

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Kinmount and Area Artisans Christmas Bazaar last Saturday. It was a perfect day weather wise and the music of Vivian Hetherington certainly set the holiday mood. Congratulations to the draw winners Susan Langdon, Liz Case, Nicole Dumont Bourget, Liz Feyerabend and Joyce Bartley who took home prizes kindly donated by Guild members Pam Wilcox, Bernie Nicholson, Gail Angstenberger, Ron Croxall, Jennie Maud, Judy Bunville, Barb Leffering and

More news from the Kinmount and District Lions Club. The sale of Christmas baked goods is going very well but if you want to find out what is still available check in with Dave at Taylor's Garage or call Vic at 705-488-3053. Thanks to those who donated gently used children's winter clothing items for the "Coats for Kids" project and now there is another opportunity to brighten a child's Christmas. The "Angel Trees" are up and ready to receive donations of new, unwrapped toys and gifts for kids from infants to teens. Please keep in mind that from past experience gifts for teenagers are the most difficult to supply. The trees are located in several places in town including the Post Office, the Medical Centre, Kinmount Pharmacy, Kawartha Credit Union and Shop N Save.

Calling all kids to the Christmas shopping spree this Saturday, Nov. 26 at St. James Anglican Church, Kinmount from 9:30 a.m. until noon. All gifts are only 50 cents which includes gift wrapping. There will also be a "women's clothing boutique" offering new items at very reasonable prices

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in a separated area. Do come out and support these new initiatives happening at St. James.

The Kinmount Seniors are sponsoring a trip to Casino Rama on Thursday, Dec. 8 heading out from the Legion parking lot at 9 a.m. and returning there at 4 p.m. The cost is only \$5 which includes lunch. To reserve a space give Theresa a call at 705-488-1110.

"Christmas in the Village" holiday events here in Kinmount kick off with the "Lights Across Canada" get together at the Railway Station yards on Thursday, Dec. 1 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Bring family and friends out to enjoy the warmth of the wood fire, the hot chocolate and carol singing as the Christmas tree is lit in celebration with communities all across our country. On Saturday, Dec. 3 a full day of family fun is scheduled with details posted on www.kinmount.ca and in the Gazette. At 2 p.m. follow Santa as he leaves the Post Office and heads up to the Legion Branch 441 Kinmount. There enjoy a free lunch and for the kids 10 years and under a gift will be waiting. That evening it's Christmas Music Night at the Galway Hall with this year's program expanded to include a roast beef dinner and loonie auction along with the live musical entertainment. For tickets at \$12.50/person please call Diane soon at 705-488-2635 to avoid disappointment.



Children drew close with candles in hand to sing Christmas songs. /File photo



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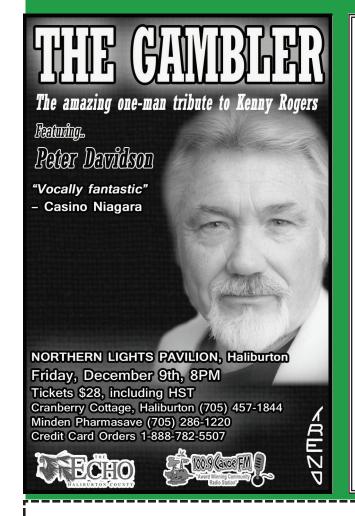
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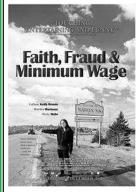
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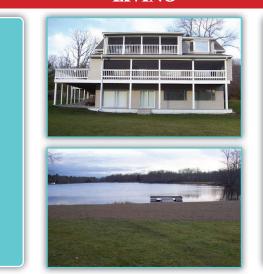
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BARRY, Robert "Bob" Edgar - Passed away suddenly at home on Thursday, November 17, 2011. At the age of 89. Beloved husband of the late Mary (nee Meldrum). Dear father of Diane and her husband Bud Thomas, Nelda and her husband Wayne Cully, Pat and her husband Bev Hicks, Norman and his wife Adele. Loving Popa of Donna, Debra, Garwood, Amber-Lee, Jason (deceased), Joel, Rachel, Tyler and great Popa to Evelyn and Brechin. Dear brother of Phrona Sisson, Marjorie Gladding, predeceased by Margaret Cook, Grace Cowen, Carrie Drysdale, Willard Barry, and Victor Barry. Fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Wednesday from 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 pm. Memorial Service in the Chapel on Thursday, November 24, 2011 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the West Guilford Community Centre. Legion Service to be held on Wednesday at 6:30 pm at the Funeral Home. Memorial Donations to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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The words "Thank you" cannot begin to express our deepest gratitude for the outpouring of love and support our family has received during Ross's illness and afterwards. We are truly blessed to have such efficient caring medical staff both in Minden and Haliburton. There are too many to name who cared for Ross. Special thanks goes to our loving Canning Lake neighbours, Lochlin Church family, relatives and friends from all walks of life both in the County and across Canada. The messages of condolence are heart warming, the flowers, the food, and tributes, have helped us all during this difficult time. We have lost a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. May you rest in peace, Ross, with the

Lord. Free of pain at last. Lois Rigney & Family eaths

PAWSON, Harry Trevor - Trevor passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, Saturday, November 19, 2011 at Highland Wood Long Term Care, Haliburton, at the age of 91. Predeceased by his beloved wife of 65 years Vilora (Lolly) and son Paul. Much loved father of Ross (Carolyn), Carole (Robert Wallace), and Trevor (Kirsti Reynolds). Cherished poppa of Tracie (Brian), Lisa (Greg), Nicole (Chad), Kent (Jennifer), Alexandra, Andrea, Jon and Paul, Timothy, great-poppa of Trevor, Jackson, Maggie, Cayden, Landon, Shaylin, Colton, and Avery. He will be fondly remembered by his brother Hugh and his many nieces and nephews. Trevor was born in Toronto in 1920. He attended school in Napanee and Weston. He started work at National Steel Car in Malton as a machine shop apprentice making aeroplane parts. In 1941 he went with White Aircraft in Hamilton where he met his future wife, Lolly, who was a secretary. In 1959 he moved his family to Toronto as he took a job with Magna Electronics division of Magna International as Manager. In 1981 the aerospace-defence division separated from Magna to become Devtek where he remained as corporate sales manager until his retirement in 1990. The family became very attached to Lake Boshkung in Haliburton and Trevor moved to the family cottage where he spent his final years surrounded by his loving family. Friends are invited to visit the family at the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box Minden K0M 2K0 on Tuesday, November 22, 2011 from 11:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Interment at St. Stephen's Cemetery, Boshkung. Memorial Donations to the Highland Wood LTC (Resident's Council) would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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STRYPE, William Dalton - Passed away peacefully after a short illness on Friday, November 18, 2011. In his 91st year. Beloved husband of Dorothy (nee Rice). Loving father of Terry Harding (predeceased by son-in -law Bill), Jeffrey and Karen, Ron and Marianne, Glen and Kathy. Grandfather of eleven devoted grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. He was a 6 year vet of the R.C.A.F. He will be buried in his beloved Haliburton. He will be dearly missed. Friends are invited to visit the family at the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Sunday, November 20, 2011 from 1:00 until 4:00 pm. A Private Family Funeral Service will be held. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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